

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q77670

Daisaburou NAKAI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/671,633

Group Art Unit: 2629

Confirmation No.: 6242

Examiner: Duc Q. DINH

Filed: September 29, 2003

For: APPARATUS FOR DRIVING A PLURALITY OF DISPLAY UNITS USING COMMON
DRIVING CIRCUITS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks regarding the Interview Summary mailed
with the Notice of Allowance on June 4, 2007:

REMARKS

On May 8, 2007, the Examiner called Applicant's representative and requested authorization to cancel non-elected claims 14-33 from the application. Applicant's representative refused cancellation of the non-elected claims 14-33 and instead requested rejoinder of claims 14-33, claims 14 and 24 being independent claims.

Applicant's representative noted that under MPEP § 821.04(b), Applicant is permitted rejoinder of claims where such claims depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable claim. Accordingly, Applicant's representative requested permission to amend claims 14-33 in order to obtain rejoinder of the claims, and the Examiner agreed to make such an amendment by Examiner's amendment.

During subsequent calls between May 8, 2007 and May 22, 2007, Applicant's representative and the Examiner determined and agreed to an amendment to rejoin claims 14-17, 18-21, and 23, and agreed to cancel claim 22, and to cancel claims 24-33 as directed to a non-elected species. Applicant's representative thanks the Examiner for his help in amendment the claims.

On May 22, 2007, Applicant's representative requested the Examiner to provide an Interview Summary stating that the finality of the November 22, 2006 Office Action was withdrawn and that the case was in condition for allowance. However, Applicant's representative did not receive such an interview summary. Thus, to preserve pendency of the case, Applicant's representative filed a Notice of Appeal on May 22, 2007.

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The Examiner's Interview Summary issued subsequently with the Notice of Allowance, mailed June 4, 2007.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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